



HISTORIC
NEW HARMONY

First Look

December 2024



Volunteers make Christmas swag to decorate doors of historic sites in New Harmony in 2022. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.

THERE'S MERRIMENT IN THE AIR

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas /
Everywhere you go / There's a tree at New



Christmas swag hanging on the door of the Eigner Cabin in New Harmony, Indiana, in December 2023. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.

Harmony Inn, one in the park as well / It's the sturdy kind that doesn't mind the snow..." New Harmony is at its best this time of year, especially as the New Harmony community bands together to offer Christmas in New Harmony during the first weekend of December. There's something for everyone to enjoy with a Christmas tree lighting, holiday parades, Candyland, caroling, food, local shopping, and more!

Historic New Harmony is especially excited to be partnering with Theaterworks to offer A Christmas Carol Celebration at Murphy Auditorium with free showings on Friday through Sunday, December 6-8. These performances feature the New Harmony Community Choir and a family adaptation of *A Christmas Carol* with larger-than-life puppets. Be sure to check out *Filled Up 5* at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art and pick up a one-of-a-kind gift for a loved one. Or hop aboard the New Harmony tram on Sunday, December 8 to peek inside five New Harmony homes, including the David Lenz House on the holiday house tour. We hope you'll choose to begin the holiday season in New Harmony, where "it's Christmas once more!"

Diane Sanders
Assistant Director of Historic New Harmony

CHRISTMAS IN NEW HARMONY

New Harmony, Indiana, is located in the Central Time Zone.

Experience an old-fashioned, small-town holiday celebration at the annual Christmas in New Harmony festival from Friday, December 6 to Sunday, December 8. There are many events scheduled in town throughout the weekend, including a Christmas parade on Saturday morning, vendors selling homemade baked goods and unique gift items, food trucks, carriage rides, free concerts and performances, a lighted golf cart parade and much more!

In this section of the newsletter, we are highlighting events sponsored by Historic New Harmony and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art. A complete schedule of Christmas in New Harmony events is available at the link below.

[SCHEDULE OF EVENTS](#)

A CHRISTMAS CAROL CELEBRATION DECEMBER 6-8

Theaterworks New Harmony and Historic New Harmony have teamed up to bring you a fun and unique celebration of *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens featuring larger-than-life puppets. From December 6 to 8, join the merriment at the Murphy Auditorium and enjoy this new twist on the classic story, featuring performances by the New Harmony Community Choir.

Admission to the Christmas Carol Celebration is FREE, though donations are gladly accepted. Tickets will be available at the Murphy Auditorium Box Office starting two hours before curtain time.

Location: Murphy Auditorium, 419 Tavern Street, New Harmony, Indiana.

Performances:

7 p.m. Friday, December 6

4 and 7 p.m. Saturday, December 7

1:30 p.m. Sunday, December 8

Director/Puppet Designer - Paul Moser

Musical Director - Tina Kern-Raibley

Historic New Harmony

CANDYLAND

11 A.M.-3 P.M. DECEMBER 7

On Saturday, December 7, Historic New Harmony will be co-sponsoring CandyLand, an area filled with free children's activities including live Christmas music, barrel train rides, a cocoa and treat bar, snow machine, crafts, candle making, a petting zoo, selfie station, and Santa and Friends.

Location: Tavern Street next to the New Harmony Working Men's Institute at 407 Tavern Street.

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

FILLED UP 5 EXHIBIT RECEPTION 3 P.M. DECEMBER 7

A public reception for *Filled Up 5: A Ceramic Cup Show* will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, December 7 in conjunction with the Christmas in



Puppets from *A Christmas Carol*. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.



New Harmony town event. Light refreshments will be offered. Purchased cups may be removed from the show on that day.



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HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR 10 A.M.-4 P.M. DECEMBER 8

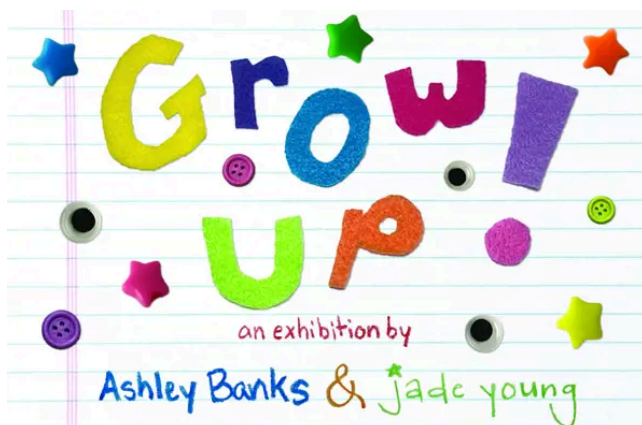
The annual Holiday House Tour highlights the diversity of architectural styles in New Harmony. This year, the David Lenz House at 324 North Street will be one of the beautiful and historical buildings on the tour. Historic New Harmony will also offer free tram rides to participating houses.

Tickets: \$20 (available at Community House No. 2, located at 410 Main Street)



Table scene at the David Lenz House. Photo courtesy of David Angel.

NEW HARMONY GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY ART



New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

GROW UP!
ASHLEY BANKS AND JADE YOUNG
NOVEMBER 2-DECEMBER 7

BG Projects at New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art is proud to present *Grow Up!*, a ceramics-focused art exhibition by studio buddies and friends Ashley Banks and Jade Young.

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FILLED UP
A CERAMIC CUP SHOW

NOVEMBER 9 - DECEMBER 14

Presented in partnership with New Harmony Clay Project.



New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

FILLED UP 5: A CERAMIC CUP SHOW
NOVEMBER 9-DECEMBER 14

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (NHGCA) in partnership with New Harmony Clay Project will present *Filled Up 5: A Ceramic Cup Show* at the Gallery from November 9 to December 14. *Filled Up 5* features ceramic cups selected from among leading clay artists working around the United States. The juror is Duane Reed of Duane Reed Gallery in St. Louis, Missouri.

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New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

SEEKING A GALLERY ASSISTANT

The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art is looking for a part-time Gallery Assistant to help with art sales, exhibit installations, inventory and other projects. Click the link below for more information on this position and to access the online application.

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UPCOMING TOURS AND PROGRAMS



Historic New Harmony

NATIONAL COOKIE DAY TOUR 1-3 P.M. DECEMBER 4

Celebrate the holiday season with history, hot cocoa, cookies, and community during our special National Cookie Day Tour from 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, December 4. Join historical interpreter Terri Axton for a tour of historic sites based on the themes of baking and "Dutch biscuit" making. Along the way, sample delicious cookies and hot chocolate provided by co-sponsors Capers Emporium and Black Lodge Coffee Roasters.

The tour starts at the Atheneum Visitors Center located at 401 North Arthur Street in New Harmony.

Transportation is via Historic New Harmony's tram with stops at various sites.

Space on the tour is limited, so reserve your spot soon! Call the Atheneum at 812-682-4474 for reservations.

Tickets:

FREE for New Harmony residents

FREE for USI students, faculty, and staff (with University ID)

FREE for children under age 6

\$10 Adults

\$5 students

Talking History

Theme: Community Memories

Thursday, December 19 at 10:30 a.m. Central Time

New Harmony Working Men's Institute

407 Tavern St., New Harmony, IN

Talking History is a social gathering of history lovers who meet monthly to share and discuss New Harmony's history.

Sponsored by Historic New Harmony



Maclure Square in New Harmony, Indiana, undated
Historic New Harmony Slide Collection, USI Archives
and Special Collections

Historic New Harmony

TALKING HISTORY
10:30 A.M. DECEMBER 19

Join us at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 19 for our next Talking History gathering at the New Harmony Working Men's Institute at 407 Tavern Street. Jennifer Greene, USI Archivist, will be there to share and discuss historical photos of New Harmony from the University Archives on the screen in the WMI'S Room for the Dissemination of Useful Knowledge. Could you help her identify people, buildings, events, and other things shown in the photos? Do you have any questions about your own collections that Jennifer Greene and other people in the group could help answer?

We welcome community members, visitors, and anyone else interested in New Harmony's history to this FREE event. For more information, contact Heidi Taylor-Caudill at htaylorca@usi.edu or 812-682-6133.

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NOTABLE DATES



The Atheneum Visitors Center in the winter. Photo courtesy of Historic New Harmony.

UPCOMING CLOSURES

11:30 a.m. December 13

The Atheneum Visitors Center will close at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, December 13. It will reopen at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 14 and remain open that weekend for tours, film viewings, shopping, and visitor information.

December 21-January 1

Historic New Harmony's administrative offices and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art will be closed from December 21 to January 1.

LAST DAY OF 2024 TOUR SEASON

Historic New Harmony will end its 2024 tour season on December 15. The Atheneum Visitors Center will then be closed for the winter from December 16 to February 28. We will reopen the Atheneum on March 1.

Visitors to New Harmony with questions and seeking information are invited to come to either the Schnee-Ribeyre-Elliott House (Historic New Harmony's administrative offices) or the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art for assistance.

Hours and Locations

January 2-February 2025

Historic New Harmony

603 West Street

Open 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Closed Saturday and Sunday

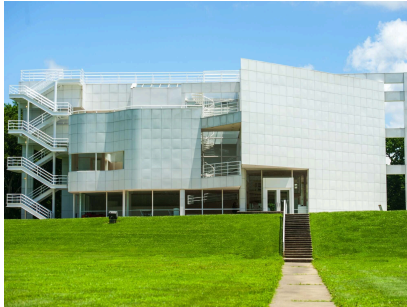
New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art

506 Main Street

Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday

Closed Sunday and Monday

DAILY ENGAGEMENTS



ATHENEUM VISITOR CENTER

The Atheneum serves as New Harmony's visitor center. Start your tour here or contact us for help in planning your trip to New Harmony!

401 North Arthur Street
812-682-4474
harmony@usi.edu

Hours

March 1-December 15
9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tuesday-Saturday
12-5 p.m. Sunday
Closed Monday



NEW HARMONY GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY ART

NHGCA provides exhibition space for current Midwestern artists and promotes discourse about and access to contemporary art in the southern Indiana region. Come see the latest exhibit and browse the Gallery Shop!

506 Main Street
812-682-3156
NewHarmony.Gallery@usi.edu

Hours

10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tuesday-Saturday
Closed Sunday and Monday



HISTORIC NEW HARMONY OFFICE

Historic New Harmony's administrative offices are housed in the Schnee-Ribeyre-Elliott House. Stop by to say hello!

603 West Street
812-682-4488
harmony@usi.edu

Hours

8 a.m.-noon and 1-4:30 p.m.
Monday-Friday
Closed Saturday and Sunday

LOOKING AHEAD

FUTURE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Heritage Artisans Days

April 23-25 at the Atheneum Visitors Center (401 North Arthur Street)

Historic New Harmony will host its annual Heritage Artisans Days on April 23-25. Geared toward elementary school students, this program allows children to learn what life was like living in New Harmony, Indiana, in the early 1800s. Students will experience 19th-century history through interaction

with historic interpreters who present their professions and roles, including paper marbling, blacksmithing and more! For more information, contact Historic New Harmony at 812-682-4488, email us at harmony@usi.edu or visit our [website](#).

New Harmony Firefly Festival

June 27-28 at the Atheneum Visitors Center (401 North Arthur Street)

FUTURE EXHIBITS

Exhibition curated by Makenzie Goodman and Adam Stacey

January 11-February 22 at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (506 Main Street)

Opening reception for their exhibition from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, January 11.

BG Projects Exhibition: CANDID curated by Violet Thomas Cummings

January-February at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (506 Main Street)

Exhibit: *Encountering*

March 1-April 12 at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art (506 Main Street)

Opening reception for *Encountering* from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, March 1.

Help Historic New Harmony continue its historic preservation efforts, educational programming, and more with your charitable gift to the USI Foundation. You can make your gift securely online at [USI.edu/giving](https://usi.edu/giving), calling 812-464-1918, or mailing to USI Foundation, 8600 University Blvd., Evansville, IN 47712. Your charitable gift is tax-deductible, and a gift receipt will be issued.



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